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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of November 20, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-35.

Amend claim 36 as follows:

36.\ (amended) A clone expressing human TSH-R stably transfected with a reporter construct comprising cDNA of both (i) a reactant capable of causing a measurable response when brought into contact\with a corresponding substrate, such as a protein

and

a promoter containing cAMP response elements (CREs), (ii) comprising a promoter sequence or synthetic oligonucleotide which contains the CRE consensus sequence, TGACGTCA,